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SPECIAL NOTICE!

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SPECIAL EXCURSION

THURSDAY, July 17 -- Buses leave 9:30 a.m. sharp at
44th Street entrance, Astor Hotel -- Buses return from
Farmingdale, L.I., at 4:30 p.m. for 6 p.m. arrival.
No charge as Members will be guests of Republic Aviation

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A one-week postponement of the OPC's special excursion to the Republic Aviation plant at Farmingdale, L.I., means the trip will take place on THURSDAY, JULY 17. Therefore, all who have sent in reservations for the old date should confirm their acceptances at once!

From New York, the Club's delegation will be transported to the Republic factory to observe the manufacture of the Air Force's dynamic Thunderjets. Following an intimate inspection of the plant, Members will be guests of Republic for luncheon, refreshments, swimming and sunning at a private beach nearby. Buses will return all Members and guests to Manhattan by 6 p.m. Each Member is restricted to one guest for this excursion! Also, Guest Members of the OPC who represent foreign news media may participate in the trip provided they possess official Defense Department clearance. PLEASE ADVISE AT ONCE WHETHER YOU CAN ATTEND! DON'T MISS THIS OPC EXCLUSIVE!! (There will be no Overseas Press Club program event next week)

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TALK When Arthur Hays Sulzberger started out on a strenuous tour of the Korean front, First Marine Div. Ass't PIO, Second Lieut. Arthur Ochs (Punch) Sulzberger was assigned by **OF THE** his superiors to accompany his father...the Marines laid on a ten-place helicopter to hop over mountains jeeps take hours to negotiate...helicopter made forced landing in **TIMES** pea-field; marines raced jeeps to rescue; jeep with Sulzberger pooped out with flat tire; party transferred to second helicopter but controls got temperamental...Marine commanders insist helicopter's here to stay but Sulzberger's asking where's here?

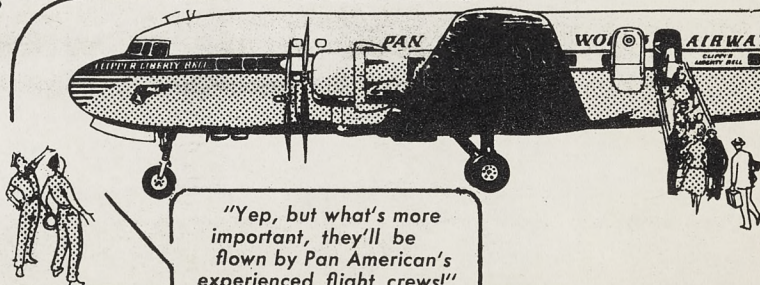
Sam Pope Brewer, chief South American correspondent, covered elections in Ecuador June 1, stopped in Peru before returning to home base at Rio de Janeiro...Sydney Gruson, Mexico City man, just completed a swing through Guatamala, San Salvador and Costa Rica...Lansing Warren, Paris bureau, remaining in Europe during his two months' leave...the RAYMOND DANIELLS will come from London to New York this week for three months' home leave...DAN SCHORR back at the Hague reports the Dutch far more interested in U.S. politics than in their own election campaign...Michael James back in Karachi after two months sick leave in Italy and France...DREW MIDDLETON reports from Bonn that 7,500 East Germans fled into West Germany since June 1, 1952 from so-called "security zone" being cleared by the East German regime...Eli Abel won an award for his piece from Detroit, "Now Michigan Brags: Our Trees are Taller"...IRV TAUBKIN photographed in Museum of Modern Art's garden with his promotion posters at press preview; others in the picture included Mrs. Arthur Hays Sulzberger, Rene d'Harnoncourt, Museum Director, Nelson Rockefeller. George Barrett had a human interest piece on the ROK in the Sunday Magazine last week...Harrison Salisbury reports on George Kennan's first six weeks in Moscow as the Ambassador departs for London talks with Acheson...

STORM WARNING...Mutual's press department says MBS commentator CECIL BROWN is the kind of reporter who sprinkles his daily news broadcasts with his personal knowledge of places and things about which he is reporting...BROWN interviewed Pakistani Premier Liaquat Ali Khan just before the latter's assassination. While his remarks were being aired on the program's tape the Prime Minister was killed...BROWN, with his knack of being Johnny-on-the-spot when news is made, was on the HMS Repulse when the Japs sank that heavy cruiser in the South Pacific and reported the story from Singapore, his teeth still chattering, a few hours later...BROWN will be in Chicago for the two presidential nominating conventions...bound to be devastating developments...! **JEAN JAFFE** recommends the B.O.Q. (Bachelor's Officer's Quarters)...at the San Juan Naval Base, where she spent a month at the invitation of the U.S. Navy...Chief PIO Lt. Commander W.D. Deibler and his assistant, Mrs. Evelyn Paniagua gave **JEAN** v.i.p. treatment, full Admiral style...Like mother, like daughter--**GERALDINE FITCH'S** daughter, Mrs. Troychak, writes in Time June 2 issue--in the letters to the editor column about Ceylon, where the other daughter lives...**HUGH CONWAY** authored article in Sunday Mirror Magazine, on how a girl got herself a husband by keeping her mouth shut...**B. MATHIEU** just won a five-week battle with a virus bug...

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BULLETIN BOARD

Radio & Television Committee Meeting.....Clubrooms.....Tuesday, July 8, 5:30 P.M.

JOHN BARKHAM, Chairman of the Admissions Committee, announces the election to Active Membership in the Overseas Press Club of:

DREW MIDDLETON, New York Times
MARY JOHNSON TWEEDY, Time and Life

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

With the approval of the Board of Governors, the Executive Committee has established new regular office hours for the OPC staff. Executive Secretary Janice Griffiths will open the office at 9:30 A.M. each day (except Saturdays and Sundays) and be at the office until 5:30 P.M. Assistant Bill Smith will be on duty from 10:30 A.M. to 6:30 P.M. daily, remaining later, at cocktail parties or, if required by Committees in session. The move was made in order to bring OPC operations into line with normal New York City business practices -- and, incidentally, to "make life more normal, hour-wise, for both the Club and staff." During summer vacations, office hours will be from 9:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

In keeping with the summer vacation tradition no monthly Board meetings will be held during July and August. As provided for in the By-Laws (Article II), meetings of the Executive Committee may be called "to make decisions on urgent business which cannot await a meeting of the Board of Governors".

WILLIAM P. GRAY
President

ONLY 10 MORE NEEDED TO MAKE OPC INSURANCE PLAN EFFECTIVE JULY 1st!

The OPC Insurance Plan is set to go into effect July 1--IF--10 more members sign up. Several members sent in forms, or requests for new ones, to the Club headquarters last week. The plan has the backing of club officers, and those participating will benefit by low cost and broad coverage. All members considering this addition to their insurance program are again urged to SEND THE ENROLLMENT BLANK IN NOW! Carl J. Lundgren, Plan Administrator, will answer any requests for information. Call him at REctor 2-4223, or write to Club offices.

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WANTED: A few volunteer workers to help bring the OPC Annual Awards Dinner invitation list up to date. Specifications--manual dexterity on the typewriter, mental agility, willingness to sweat (or perspire) an hour or two per week for the next 40 weeks; if you're a glamor gal or guy, don't let that hold you back if you can meet the foregoing qualifications. Contact: NORWOOD F. ALLMANN, Chairman pro tem, 1953 Dinner Committee, at the Club.

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Note from Ye Editors: Each week, The Bulletin offers news of OPC members at work and at play, coverage of members on foreign assignments, inside dope on member's activities, reports of OPC Committees at work, job and housing openings as they become available. Keep on sending us the news--of your own activities and those of interest to OPC members and friends. Our weekly deadline is Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. The Bulletin will not publish over the July 4th weekend.

*** PLEASE NOTIFY THE CLUB OFFICE IF YOU HAVE CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS ***

OPC APPEALS TO
BOLIVIAN PRESIDENT
ON PRESS FREEDOM

The OPC has appealed to President Victor Paz Estenssoro of Bolivia to permit the newspaper, La Razon, to resume publication. La Razon, foremost newspaper in Bolivia, won the Maria Moors Cabot Award in 1947 as an outstanding example of Inter-American journalism. It was shut down by armed partisans of the revolutionary regime which took over Bolivia two months ago. Despite repeated requests, the new government has refused protection to plant and personnel which would enable the paper to resume publication.

In the letter to Pres. Paz Estenssoro, OPC President WILLIAM P. GRAY, associate editor of Life Magazine, and BRUNO SHAW, Chairman of the Club's Freedom of Press Committee, said: "It is our belief that in freedom of the press lies the freedom of the people of the western hemispheres. Indeed, this principle, we believe, is basic to the friendly and neighborly cooperation between all the governments and the peoples of the western world.

"We are advised that unreasonable demands have been made on the publishers of La Razon, who are anxious to resume publication...Here in our country the closing of a newspaper is held contrary to the concept of freedom of the press...It is the reason why this Club, whose members represent American newspapers, news services, magazines and radio in almost every country in the world, are moved to make an appeal to Your Excellency to use his good offices to enable La Razon to resume publications..."

Two thousand newsmen are converging on Chicago in July...on the ground floor are IRVING PFLAUM, Chicago Sun-Times; PERCY WOOD and JOHN H. THOMPSON, Chicago Tribune; MARTIN SHERIDAN, Admiral Corp.; and GEORGE S. WELLS...CECIL CARNES will be at the Congress Hotel with offices (Citizens for Ike) on the 11th floor of the Hilton...LARRY LESUEUR, DAVE SCHOENBRUN, ED MURROW, Ed Morgan, LOWELL THOMAS, BILL DOWNS, ALLAN JACKSON, BOB TROUT, DON COE, JOHN DALY, PAULINE FREDERICK, GEORGE SOKOLSKY, Ken Crawford, TED MALONE, RED MUELLER, BOB GRAF, SY FRIEDMAN among the Radio-TV people reporting the proceedings...also BILL CUNNINGHAM, WILLIAM HILLMAN, MORGAN BEATTY, W. W. CHAPLIN, BOB CONSIDINE, GEORGE HICKS, H. V. KALTENBORN, LAWRENCE SPIVAK, HENRY CASSIDY, BEN GRAUER, John Cameron Swayze...

LEO J. MARGOLIN has an article in the July issue of Traffic Quarterly: "Scientific Toll Collection--New Traffic Engineering Problem"; reveals collection of tolls on nation's bridges, tunnels, turnpikes now nearly \$200-million-a-year-business...Mrs. Sally Margolin appeared on WPIX's City Hall program, asking questions about presidential aspirants of CLARE BOOTH LUCE and Rep. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr...BEN GRAUER pictured in the N.Y.Herald Tribune with other Radio-TV personalities aiding the Fresh Air Fund June 24...

Three Korean war correspondents--MAY CRAIG, Gannett Newspapers, Marguerite Higgins, N.Y.Herald Tribune and Charlotte Knight, Collier's--will be cited for "outstanding performance in pursuing a career while advancing the public interest" by the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's eleventh biennial convention in Boston July 2nd.....

"MARK FÜR MARK PONTIAC IST NICHT ZU SCHLAGEN"



THERE'S SOME DIFFERENCE OF
OPINION HOW YOU SAY THIS
IN GERMAN - BUT IN AMERICA
EVERYBODY ALWAYS SAYS -

DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR YOU
CAN'T BEAT A PONTIAC!

Frank Kelley, National Editor of the N.Y. Herald Tribune, reports that Homer Bigart and his bride, Alice, are back in Washington. Bigart will cover diplomatic news on the embassy beat... Ned Russell, former London bureau, is chief State Department correspondent... ART (A.T.) STEELE winding up his Middle Eastern tour, due soon in Cairo to start swing around Africa from the East Coast to South Africa and up the West Coast. His wife, Esther, accompanies him... Jack Tate back on the City staff again after seven years in the London bureau of the N.Y. Herald Tribune...

Next Monday, June 29th, Executive Secretary Janice Griffiths ROBBINS and CHARLES ROBBINS begin the honeymoon they've been waiting to take since their New Year's Day marriage. Bill Smith will be in charge of the office and clubrooms while the Executive Secretary is away...

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MAIL DAN THRAPP, 828 Laguna Ave., L.A., writes..."...why don't you print in The Bulletin TALK lists of OPC members in various cities from time to time...That way I, who live in L.A., for instance, would know who else in or near here is a member. Maybe if there were enough of us, we could get together once in a while over a beer--or something..." (Ed: Out of towners, please check in with The Bulletin and we'll run each city as it comes)...THRAPP ex-UP London, Spain, now basking in California climate...

JAMES W. MICHAELS, 16 Bennet Village Terrace, Buffalo 14, N.Y., writes..."India hands among Bulletin readers will be interested to know that Ernie Dharma, UP-India staffer, will be in New York in August on his first visit to this country...Ernie sails June from Bombay on way to Helsinki Olympic Games assignment. After that he fulfills long-cherished dream of visiting the U.S. A Celonese national, Ernie is a veteran of seven years with UP in India and Burma and is now news manager in Bombay under John Hiavacek, UP India Manager. Another reason for his visit is sister Sybil, a teacher in Boaz, Alabama. Ernie last saw his sister five years ago..."

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A. WILFRED MAY, whose letter to the editor in current issue of Life comments on Moscow Economic Conference article, declares Moscow conference was attended by 450 delegates from 47 countries; warns that Soviet pressures on underdeveloped countries must be counteracted by U.S. adoption of "affirmative measures for enlightenment of the many gullible...(U.S.) needs to revise obstructive tariff policies and clarify our political objectives..." MAY, executive editor of The Commercial and Financial Chronicle appeared on WJZ's "Spotlight on New York" in a heated debate with Corliss Lamont: "Can We Do Business With Stalin?" Sunday night, June 22.

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NICARAGUAN REVOLUTIONS NOW) While it is doing so much for European defense, the United States
 OLD-HAT, PRES. SOMOZA) should not be careless about its "good neighbor" policy in Latin
 TELLS OPC LUNCHEON GUESTS) America, Gen. Anastasio Somoza, president of Nicaragua, warned at
 an OPC luncheon at Toots Shor's June 19.

The President was introduced by JERRY HANNIFIN, chairman of the OPC's Inter-American Relations Committee, with reference to the fact that he has been called "strong man" and "dictator" but also is one with problems not always understood by all North Americans.

News peg for the President's visit was the passage by Congress of a \$4,000,000 appropriation for construction of "Roosevelt Road" across Nicaragua, serving the same defense purposes as the long-discussed but now-abandoned Nicaraguan Canal. Now more than half built, the road, when finished a year and one-half hence, will give a solid-land no-bridge passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific to back-stop the vulnerable Panama Canal in case of war.

Reminiscing about his relations with FDR, Somoza recalled he had been given the same kind of Washington reception as the King of England. He said he found Roosevelt so human he was encouraged to lay his cards on the table. Later he thought Spruille Braden, as State Dept. mentor over Latin America, had pushed countries too fast toward democracy, though he admitted that Nicaragua has now done practically everything Braden wanted "in our own way."

On the "dictator" charge, Somoza said Nicaraguan revolutions in the past had resulted from "putting the enemy up against the wall and doing the worst." Now, Somoza declared, he has succeeded in solving the problem of the ballot box in Nicaragua so that elections were decided at the polls and not on the field of battle. He has put his political enemies in the government instead of prison. Urging that recognition of minorities in government be made an American continental policy, he commented: "A dictator would never do that!"

The President described improved economic conditions in Nicaragua under his regime. Revealing that the best coffee and cotton lands haven't been touched, he invited OPC members to come down as his personal guests to find out the country's possibilities.

OPC PRESIDENT WILLIAM P. GRAY presided; BOB CONSIDINE, JEWEL de BONILIA, N. F. ALLMAN, ELMER BORSUK, CHARLES BROWN, NORMA BABCOCK, H. W. Burch (UP), ELIZABETH FAGG, GERALDINE FITCH, BILL FORBIS, BELLA FROMM, LOU VARCIA, CHARLES GILLET, LUCY GOLDSMITH, JAMES GREENFIELD, SANFORD GRIFFITH, GORDON HAMILTON, MARY HORNADAY, CHARLES M. KINSOLVING, PHIL KLARNET, HAL LEE, HAL LEHRMAN, RALPH MAJOR, Harry Murkland (Newsweek), RUTH LLOYD, GRETTE PALMER, CHARLES ROBBINS, CORNELIUS RYAN, JOSEPH ROSAPEPE, COLUMBIA SILEO, LEN SMITH, JACK TENBERGE, RICHARD THOMAS, DAN VAN ACKER, LOUIS WEINTRAUB, Rutgers Nelson, DAVID ZINGG were spotted around the room. (Reported for "The Bulletin" by MARY HORNADAY.)

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TRUMAN SEES RIFT UNTIL CZECHS FREE BILL OATIS

President Truman, during a conference with Ellis O. Briggs, American Ambassador to Czechoslovakia, declared that relations between the United States and Czechoslovakia cannot be improved as long as that government holds William N. Oatis, AP Prague Bureau chief, in prison. The Ambassador is returning to Czechoslovakia this week. Oatis was imprisoned by the Czech government in April, 1951, on charges of espionage for carrying out what this country regards as legitimate functions of a news reporter.

YOUR DUES ARE OVERDUE! FINAL CALL!

Editors: RUTH LLOYD, MARY HORNADAY. Editorial Board: RUSSELL F. ANDERSON, Chairman; IRVIN S. TAUBKIN, TED DEGLIN, CHARLES ROBBINS, JOHN MOROSO, DANIEL VAN ACKER.

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